

I do not live in a city that XM has local service. And I have multiple ways of finding out what the weather or traffic is like in another city. So, these particular services that NAB's petition 04-160 do not affect me, but anyone's desire to provide a service and profit from it should not be limited to a select few who use one technology over another.

Just as one printing press technology does not prohibit others, why should one radio broadcast technology prevent others from also providing useful and profitable services?

I am a capitalist first and foremost and believe that competition should not be shackled. I doubt if any satellite radio broadcaster would object to FM stations actually playing more than 30 songs over and over again.

In Richmond, there is one person from the newspaper who is on many of the radio stations reporting the same news. Furthermore, there is one woman who does the traffic for radio and tv stations.

I do not see how local stations could not sell their reporting services for traffic to national providers like XM and profit from it as well.